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1. MOST IMPORTANT ASPECT OF JAN 29 OCTOBER MAGAZINE IS
ABSENCE OF INTERVIEW WITH SADAT, WHICH WE HAD BEEN LED
TO BELIEVE MIGHT APPEAR. ISSUE DOES CARRY LONG AND
RAMBLING ARTICLE BY BOARD CHAIRMAN ANIS MANSOUR ATTACK-
ING BEGIN, ISRAELIS AND JEWISH PEOPLE. ARTICLE IS
UNPLEASANT READING BUT DOES CONTAIN FREQUENT REFERENCES TO
DESIRE FOR PEACE ON PART OF BOTH ISRAELIS AND EGYPTIANS.
ON US RESPONSIBILITY FOR INTRANSIGENCE, MANSOUR
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ALLEGES THAT US SATELLITE PHOTOGRAPHY OF THE ADVANCE
POSITION OF EGYPTIAN ARMORED DIVISION 21 ON OCTOBER 16,
1973 WAS PROVIDED TO ISRAEL AND ENABLED ISRAELIS TO ATTACK
AT PROPER TIME. (MANSOUR ALLEGES THESE PHOTOS REACH
ISRAELI COMMAND EVERY MORNING WITH BREAKFAST.)

2. MANSOUR DWELT AT LENGTH ON "JEWISH PERSONALITY",

FORGED IN EUROPEAN GHETTOS. THIS FEAR, ISOLATION AND HATRED, ACCORDING MANSOUR, INTENSIFIED BY REJECTION IN MIDDLE EAST AND ISRAELIS "BECAME PRISONER OF AMERICAN ARSENAL."

3. BEGIN DESCRIBED AS ACTOR WITH IRON NERVES, "...THE BARMAN WHO IS THE ONLY ONE NOT DRINKING." ISRAEL, SAID MANSOUR, WANTS PEACE MORE THAN EGYPTIANS. "JEWS ARE HUMAN BEINGS LIKE US...." PROCESS, HOWEVER, WILL BE LENGTHY; OLD SCORES CANNOT BE SETTLED IN "ONE OR IN 40 SESSIONS." DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT TOOK 26 MEETINGS AND US TREATY WITH PANAMA 13 YEARS.

4. ON ANTI-SEMITISM, MANSOUR ALLEGES EUROPEAN JEWS (BELONGING TO ARYAN RACE) ARE THOSE WHO ARE BEING ANTI-SEMITIC AND ANTI-HAMITIC IN THEIR TREATMENT OF THEIR ORIENTAL COMPATRIOTS. EGYPTIANS WANT TO END ALL THIS BUT "BEGIN TRYING TO FAN FLAMES OF FIRE...."

5. FINALLY, MANSOUR ACCUSED BEGIN OF MISQUOTING SADAT ON PALESTINIANS AND SETTLEMENTS. ON LATTER, MANSOUR TERMED APPEAL NOT TO EXPEL SETTLERS FROM THEIR HOMES AS "A JOKE". CONCLUDED THIS IDENTICAL TO STORY OF MAN WHO KILLED HIS MOTHER AND FATHER AND THEN APPEALED TO JUDGE FOR MERCY ON GROUNDS OF BEING AN ORPHAN. SETTLERS ARE OCCUPYING TERRITORY WHICH IS NOT THEIRS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AND TO WHICH THEY HAVE NO RIGHT. EILTS

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